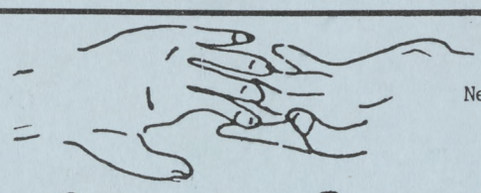

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DECEMBER

TOP 20 TITHES
(Received by January 21, 1986)

1. MCC DALLAS	Dallas,TX	$2723.45
2. MCC OF RESURRECTION	Houston,TX	2391.81
3. MCC SAN DIEGO	San Diego,CA	1632.63
4. MCC IN VALLEY	North Hollywood,CA	1448.31
5. CH. HOLY SPIRIT MCC	Ft.Ldrdale,FL	1432.30
6. MCC LONG BEACH	Long Beach,CA	1353.43
7. MCC WASHINGTON	Washington,DC	1323.82
8. CHRIST CHAPEL MCC	Santa Ana,CA	1277.50
9. MCC GTR. ST. LOUIS	St. Louis,MO	1171.53
10. ALL GOD'S CHILDREN MCC	Minn,MN	820.69
11. MCC SAN FRANCISCO	San Francisco,CA	812.67
12. MCC NEW YORK	New York City,NY	795.40
13. MCC SAN JOSE	San Jose,CA	679.35
14. MCC GTR. KANSAS CITY	Kansas City,MO	678.08
15. MCC TORONTO	Ontario, Canada(U.S.)	675.65
16. MCC OF THE DISCIPLES	Washington,DC	660.52
17. GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH MCC	Chicago,IL	621.21
18. ST. JOHN'S MCC	Raleigh,NC	590.40
19. RIVER CITY MCC	Sacramento,CA	516.22
20. CASA DE CRISTO EVANG.MCC	Phoenix,AZ	494.17

DECEMBER

TOP 20 PER CAPITA
(Received by January 21, 1986)

1. CHRISTOS MCC	Toronto,ONT, Canada(U.S.)	22.70
2. REDEEMER MCC	Flint,MI	21.60
3. GOOD SAMARITAN MCC	Whittier,CA	21.56
4. VISION OF HOPE MCC	Lancaster,CA	20.68
5. MCC TOPEKA	Topeka,KS	20.00
6. CHRIST CHAPEL MCC	Santa Ana,CA	19.47
7. MCC BAKERSFIELD	Bakersfield,CA	18.04
8. MCC WASHINGTON	Washington,DC	17.44
9. MCC HARTFORD	Hartford,CT	17.34
10. MARANATHA MCC	Colorado Springs,CO	17.32
11. MCC OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA	Larton,VA	17.09
12. OPEN ARMS MCC	Rochester,NY	16.87
13. KEY WEST MCC	Key West,FL	16.41
14. MCC WICHITA	Wichita,KS	15.35
15. HARLEM MCC	New York,NY	15.09
16. CALVARY MCC	Redwood City,CA	14.96
17. OASIS MCC	Tempe,AZ	14.11
18. CHRIST LIBERATOR MCC	Princeton,NJ	13.62
19. DiVINE REDEEMER MCC	Glendale,CA	13.21
20. MCC IN THE COUNTRY	Lemon Grove, CA	13.03

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Let's keep Mom Perry in our prayers. She experienced an irregular heartbeat and was briefly hospitalized around the end of the year. Mom Perry is at home now and doing much better.
- Rev. Elder Jean White is in Indonesia at this writing. Continued prayers are requested for a safe and successful journey.
- Rev. Frank Scott, presently serving at MCC Ventura in California, is going to pastor our church in Bournemouth, England in April 1986! Our prayers go with him and his spouse.

- Rev. La Paula Turner, District Coordinator of the Great Lakes District and pastor of MCC Dayton Parish, recently lost her mother. Please keep her, as well as her family and loved ones, in your prayers. Expressions of love and concern may be sent to: Rev. La Paula Turner, MCC Dayton Parish, 665 Salem Ave., Dayton, OH 45406-5822.

GENERAL CONFERENCE XII

The reports and directives of General Conference XII have been printed and are being mailed to all registrants.

EXCEL I - AUSTRALIA

Jane Sandmeier, Excel Coordinator, sends word that EXCEL I took place in Sydney, Australia, January 17th-19th 1986. A team of five people from the U.S.A. and Canada conducted it. They will also be attending the Australian District Conference in Adelaide, January 24th-26th 1986. Please keep them in your prayers.

WORLD WIDE MOMENT OF PRAYER

A world wide moment of prayer and meditation is being held for five (5) minutes each day at 7 p.m. for persons with aids and aids related conditions. All over the world, people are joining together, each in their own way, wherever they happen to be at 7 p.m.

This idea originated with The Healing Project of San Francisco and is now co-sponsored by the aids Interfaith Network. Our goal, ultimately, is to make this truly a world wide event each day at 7 p.m., so that every hour on the hour, somewhere in the world, someone will be "Knowing the Truth."

For further information: aids Interfaith Network, 890 Hayes St., San Francisco, CA 94117. Tele.#: (415) 928-HOPE.

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FELLOWSHIP UPDATE

OPEN PULPIT

MCC DETROIT is currently looking for a new pastor. Persons interested, please contact:

Mr. James Hohmann
23401 Roanoke
Oak Park, MI 48237

SIGNATURES REQUIRED

All CHURCH SERVICES Orders require two (2) signatures before orders can be processed. This will insure that we have a hard copy in our files of all Church Services requests for supplies, materials, etc. It also protects your church, by insuring that only authorized people can order Church Services materials. In the long run it will enable us to expedite your orders more quickly and efficiently. Thanks for your cooperation, as we continue to work toward finding better ways to serve you in UFMCC Church Services.

EXPO '86-VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA

We at MCC Vancouver would like to invite all our Brothers and Sisters from our worldwide Fellowship to visit with us during our World's Fair 'Transportation' Exposition, May 2nd to Oct. 13th. We are offering housing to any of our family around the world. Please contact your church office for further details as we have sent to each church information and application forms for the housing requests. First come, first serve basis. There will be no housing charge, but we are doing it as a fund-raiser for the AIDS VANCOUVER Housing Project. For further information, please write:

Eric L. McLean
EXPO Housing Coordinator
P.O. Box 5178
Vancouver, B.C., Canada
V6B 4B2

QUARANTINE PROPOSAL WITHDRAWN

On Jan. 13, 1986, Rev. Elder Don Eastman joined 20 other community and civil rights leaders to testify before the Texas Board of Health in Austin on its proposal to institute quarantine for certain persons with aids. Several days later the Texas Health Commissioner withdrew his request for the proposed quarantine. The Commissioner said the influence of the Gay/Lesbian community at the public hearing persuaded him that voluntary cooperation would be a far more valuable weapon than quarantine in the fight against aids.

CONGRATULATIONS !

Rev. Frankye White, District Coordinator of the Southeast District, graduated from "University Without Walls" with a B.A. in Religious Studies. She was also placed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" for outstanding scholastic achievement.

Note: Samaritan Education Ministries offers a cooperative educational program in conjunction with "University Without Walls". For further information write to:

Rev. Sherre Boothman, Dean, Resident College
3327-29 Beverly Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90004-6003

PRAISES

Praise God! Many interesting and important events are happening around the world which are helping to open doors for our ministry.

* CHICAGO -- The Lutheran Student Movement has passed a resolution at its 16th Annual Assembly on "Affirmation of Welcome of Gays & Lesbians in the Lutheran Church" and encourages the Lutheran Church to explore issues of Gay & Lesbian reality, plus take appropriate action.

* NEW ENGLAND -- The New England Synod of the Lutheran Church in America adopted a resolution requesting that Gays & Lesbians be considered "protected classed and be provided increased protection from harrassment, threats and assaults.

* ANAHEIM, CA -- Disneyland has revoked a 28 year-old policy banning partners of the same sex from dancing together!

* MARYLAND -- The University of Maryland's Student Government Association (SGA) voted down a petition "to stop appropriating student activity funds for any organization or activity that is designed to promote homosexuality as an acceptable lifestyle, or to recruit students in support of the Lesbian/Gay cause. A formal apology was issued to the Gay & Lesbian Student Union.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Unitarian Universalists for Lesbian and Gay Concerns (UULGC) is sponsoring the second annual Continental Convocation, "Together in the Struggle" in San Diego, CA, February 14th-16th 1986.

This convocation will be hosted by Gay/Lesbian Outreach, First Unitarian Church of San Diego. Enclosed find Program Schedule and Registration form.